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1. PLEASE TRANSMIT TO A. V. MAKAROV, MINVODHOZ, FOR
DELIVERY TO NOVIKOV THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM URBAN,
ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS SENT INTERNATIONAL MAIL.

2. 01.1201.01 - AUGUST 3, 1978

MR. V. M. NOVIKOV
DIRECTOR
VNIISV
MOSCOW, USSR

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DEAR MR. NOVIKOV:

IN RESPONSE TO YOUR 19 JULY 1978 LETTER, WE WERE
DISAPPOINTED THAT YOU WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED.

BECAUSE OF THE SHORT TIME UNTIL YOUR EXPECTED ARRIVAL

DATES AND THE AMOUNT OF OUR EFFORT THAT IS CURRENTLY DIVERTED TOWARDS PREPARATION FOR THE SYMPOSIUM, WE REGRET THAT WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RECEIVE YOU AT THE SUGGESTED TIME. AS OUR PROJECTS REQUIRE A GREAT DEAL OF OUR TIME AT THAT TIME OF THE YEAR AND THE OPERATION OF MANY SYSTEMS BEGINS TO GEAR DOWN FOR THE COLD WEATHER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU COULD POSTPONE YOUR VISIT TO THE U.S. UNTIL NEXT SPRING. IF YOU FIND, HOWEVER, THAT YOUR SITUATION CHANGES AND YOU ARE ABLE TO SCHEDULE YOUR VISIT TO CORRESPOND WITH THE SYMPOSIUM, WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO RECEIVE YOU AS PLANNED.

FOR VARIOUS REASONS, SOME MENTIONED ABOVE, WE REGRET THAT WE WILL BE UNABLE TO ACCEPT YOUR INVITATION TO VISIT THE USSR THIS SEPTEMBER FOR ELEVEN DAYS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THIS VISIT COULD ALSO BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT SPRING.

WE ARE VERY INTERESTED IN THE OVERLAND RUNOFF PROJECT BEING CONSTRUCTED NEAR LENINGRAD. DURING OUR PROPOSED VISIT NEXT SPRING WE WOULD LIKE TO DO A DETAILED INVESTIGATION OF THE PROJECT INVOLVING THE USE OF SOME OF OUR OWN INSTRUMENTS SO THAT OUR EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES CAN BE COMPARED WITH YOUR OWN. WE FEEL THIS IS NECESSARY TO VALIDLY COMPARE THE DATA WE RECEIVE FROM UNCLASSIFIED

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OUR SYSTEMS WITH THAT RECEIVED FROM YOUR SYSTEM. IN THE MEANTIME, WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR HOW CONSTRUCTION ON THE PROJECT IS PROCEEDING. IN ADDITION, DURING OUR VISIT, WE WOULD LIKE IF POSSIBLE TO VISIT SEVERAL PROJECTS IN THE UKRAINE; DISCUSS THE WORK BEING DONE IN HEALTH EFFECTS AND VISIT THE FACILITIES WHERE THIS IS BEING DONE; AND DISCUSS AND PLAN ACTIVITIES UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF THE EXCHANGE.

I ANTICIPATE THAT DR. H. L. MCKIM OF THE U.S. ARMY COLD REGIONS RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING LABORATORY, MR. DICK LEE OF THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS WATERWAYS EXPERIMENT STATION, DR. STEPHEN SCHAUB OF THE U.S. ARMY MEDICAL AND BIO-ENGINEERING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT LABORATORY, AND POSSIBLY MYSELF WOULD BE MAKING THE TRIP.

AGAIN, WE REGRET THAT YOU WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE SYMPOSIUM. WE WILL SEND YOU A COPY OF THE PROCEEDINGS WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU.

SINCERELY,

NOEL W. URBAN
LAND TREATMENT COORDINATOR
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

CC:MR. INASHVILI.

3. FYI. COPIES OF NOVIKOV JULY 19 LETTER TO URBAN, AND
MAKAROV JULY 10 TELEGRAM TO BARRETT POUCHED REGISTRY
4513416. INVITATION HAD BEEN EXTENDED TO SOVIETS TO
PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON LAND TREATMENT
OF WASTE WATER, WEEK OF AUGUST 21 IN HANOVER. NOVIKOV
LETTER REPORTED THAT FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS THEIR
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DELEGATION WOULD BE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN SYMPOSIUM
BUT COULD ARRIVE EITHER AUGUST 25 OR AUGUST 27. MAKAROV
TELEGRAM SAID USDEL COULD BE RECEIVED FOR ELEVEN DAYS IN
SEPTEMBER AND REQUESTED DATE OF ARRIVAL. END FYI. CHRISTOPHER

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